Minutes of the Southampton Arts and Culture Committee (SHACC)

Meeting Date: Monday, October 16 2017 at 6:30 pm

Call to Order:

A quarterly meeting of the Southampton Arts and Culture Committee (SHACC) was held in the Lower Level Conference, Town Hall, 116 Hampton Road, Southampton, New York on October 16, 2017. The meeting convened at 6:30 pm, Chair Hope Sandrow presiding, with SHACC Member Shane Weeks performing on the sidewalk in front of Town Hall. Committee Members introduce themselves to those in attendance at request of chair.

Members Present:

Hope Sandrow, Chair Geoffrey Drummond April Gornik Shane Weeks

Members Absent:

Dorothy Lichtenstein Minerva Perez Elka Rifkin Brenda Simmons Terrie Sultan

Ex-Officio Members/Liaisons Absent

Jay Schneiderman, Town Supervisor

Guests:

Cara Wingfield
Karen Flatow
Denise Silva Dennis
Jeremy Dennis
Ulf Skogsbergh
Michele Wilson
Tracy Mitchell
Jane Iselin
scarlett Magda
Kennedy Hines
Sylvia Hommert
Amy Kirwin
and those who did not sign in.

Communications:

July 13, 2017: Notice of July 17 Meeting and Agenda. August 20 2017: notice of August 21 2017 Meeting recess September 14, 2017: Notice of Sept 18, 2017 Meeting and Agenda. October 9, 2017: Notice of October 16, 2017 Meeting and Agenda.

Approval of Minutes:

June 19, 2017 Minutes

Completed Business:

not applicable

Reports, Updates Unfinished Business

Chair asked those in attendance to introduce themselves.

#1 Calendar of Arts and Culture on the East End Committee.

Jane Iselin presented an update on this subcommittee, composed of Jane, Laura Devinney and James Slezak: James Slezak composed a list of almost 100 nonprofits registered in the county of Suffolk. Discussion centered on logistics: from sending a letter of interest to each organization asking their interest in participating in the calendar and their willingness to support the effort; funding to pay for designing, hosting and maintaining a website, an administrator to oversee the posts each participating organization would make to add to the calendar. Bay Street general manager Michele Wilson suggested the calendar have: 1) public access for viewing calendar events; and 2) log in for participating organizations to post as well as share info between them before made public. The sub committee plans to meet before the next general meeting November 20, 2017... when they will give an update.

#2 Art and Culture Programming and Education on the East End

Cara Conklin Wingfield and Denise Silva Dennis discuss efforts to interest teachers for attending SHACC meetings. Denise mentions the importance of local transport to facilitate participation of Town Youth (who do not have drivers licenses). Karen Hesse Flatow mentions the model of Studio in a School. A general discussion follows for creating a network to share info that includes the publicly posted easily accessible calendar. A suggestion of Town organized tours to various sites. Vets International director Scarlett Magda says monthly general meetings important for a thread of continuity; asks those who attend meetings be connected via email: all present agree to share addresses, updates.

#3 SHACC Mission Statement

Discussion included April Gornik's suggestion that SHACC mission include 1) a digital history of individual communities and institutions within the Town for the archives; 2) SHACC advise Town Board on art related activities; help educate the public about the range of arts and culture programming presented in local institutions.

New Business

#1 SHACC member Shane Weeks proposed leading a subcommittee to organize and compose the cultural history of Shinnecock Nation to be added to Town archives.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn made by Shane Weeks, seconded by Hope Sandrow. Motion carried.

The next general meeting of SHACC scheduled to convene on November 20 at 6:30 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room.

The next quarterly meeting of SHACC Committee Members scheduled to convene on January 15, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room.

General Meetings convened every third Monday at 6:30 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room.

Minutes Taken By:

Hope Sandrow, chair

Date of Approval: April 16, 2018

Date Approved Minutes Forwarded to Town Clerk: April 18, 2018